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MEMORANDUM

TO: Agency Heads and Human Resources Directors of All State Agencies, Departments,

Institutions, and Commissions

FROM: Samuel L. Wilkins, Director

SUBJECT: State Employee Recognition Activities

DATE: February 21, 2006

National Public Service Recognition Week is May 1-7, 2006 and the Office of Human Resources is encouraging agencies to take this opportunity to recognize employee contributions to your agency as well as the State of South Carolina. Once again, Governor Sanford will be issuing a proclamation declaring May 3, 2006 as State Employee Recognition Day in South Carolina.

To assist you in your recognition efforts, my office will also be contacting other state agencies to compile a list of discounts being offered to state employees during this week. Please contact my office if your agency is interested in offering discounts to State employees during this week. We have also attached a listing of some of the State agency recognition events that took place in 2005 to this memorandum. We hope that seeing some of the events that took place in other agencies last year will give agencies some ideas to consider while planning this year's recognition efforts. As an additional resource you may also refer to the National Association of State Personnel Executives (NASPE) website at http://www.naspe.net/index.cfm?PageID=7.

Good luck on your employee recognition efforts and please feel free to call my office at (803) 737-0900 if you have questions or need additional information regarding this initiative.